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REGIONAL CONSOLIDATED HAZARDOUS MATERIAL REUTILIZATION
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Ref:

- (a) OPNAVINST 5090.1B Series, Chapter 3
- (b) CNO MSG DTG 131755Z JAN 03, Navy-wide Consolidated Hazardous Material Reutilization and Inventory Management Program (CHRIMP)
- 1. Reference (a) requires that all Navy ships and shore activities implement the Consolidated Hazardous Material Reutilization and Inventory Management Program (CHRIMP). Where implemented, CHRIMP has consistently reduced both the procurement of hazardous materials (HAZMAT) and the generation of hazardous waste with a concomitant savings in total ownership costs.
- 2. Based on recent inspection findings, the Inspector General of the Navy has recommended that action be taken to complete Navy-wide CHRIMP implementation, and to enhance the quality of shipboard hazardous material management. Reference (b) discussed these findings, iterated the reference (a) requirement for all Navy ships and shore activities to fully implement CHRIMP, and directed the development and promulgation of policy for the establishment of Regional CHRIMP Programs. Reference (b) also directed the Commander, Naval Supply Systems Command (COMNAVSUPSYSCOM) to fully implement the Enhanced CHRIMP Afloat Program (ECAP) and to improve shipboard hazardous material management practices in cooperation with the Fleets. This letter provides guidance and policy for the Navy-wide implementation of reference (b).
- 3. Consistent with reference (b), the Commander, Navy Installations (CNI), in cooperation with COMNAVSUPSYSCOM, shall develop and implement Regional CHRIMP operations. Within each Region, CNI shall direct the Regional Commander to establish a Regional CHRIMP program, including creation of a Regional CHRIMP Center and designation of a Regional CHRIMP Manager. The Regional CHRIMP Center may be a physical location, a virtual entity, or a combination of each. Each Regional Commander shall

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develop appropriate business rules for a regional concept of operations. COMNAVSUPSYSCOM, as the Navy Executive Agent for Hazardous Material Control and Management (HMC&M), will provide required technical support. Regional Commanders are strongly encouraged to integrate ship off-load of HAZMAT into their regional CHRIMP operation to further maximize Navy cost avoidance. As appropriate, major claimants and Regional Commanders shall plan, program and budget for implementation and execution of local and regional CHRIMP program requirements using the Navy Environmental Requirements Guidebook as a reference.

- All activities and tenant commands within the region, regardless of major claimant affiliation, are required to participate in regional CHRIMP programs. Regional HAZMAT Managers will coordinate among activities in their region to facilitate greater opportunities to issue "cost avoided" or free issue HAZMAT in lieu of new material. Activities will utilize HAZMAT from the Regional HAZMINCEN to the greatest extent possible. HAZMAT identified as excess to an activity's requirement will be taken up in the regional inventory at no Disposal costs associated with any HAZMAT item for which no alternative user can be found remain the responsibility of the original purchaser. Regional Commanders may authorize, at their discretion, installations who are geographically separate and/or would not benefit from participating in regional CHRIMP efforts, to operate a stand alone CHRIMP program consistent with the requirements of references (a) and (b).
- 5. COMNAVSUPSYSCOM shall develop appropriate metrics to assess the effectiveness of both installation and regional CHRIMP programs. Major claimants will be required to report on the status of CHRIMP programs at their activities using these metrics during the annual Claimant Environmental Program Review. Major claimants shall also ensure that installation and Regional CHRIMP programs are reviewed as part of their Environmental Quality Assessment (EQA) program.
- 6. CNO N45 has approved two software systems to support CHRIMP Operations ashore, the Hazardous Substance Management System (HSMS) and Regional Hazardous Inventory Control System (RHICS),

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both of which support regional CHRIMP efforts. Navy regions are strongly encouraged to use one of these systems as appropriate to the size and complexity of the activity's operations. Assistance in the implementation and management of these systems is available from COMNAVSUPSYSCOM. Navy regions that opt to use homegrown or commercially available software will do so at their own expense. Environmental funds programmed by CNO (N4) shall not be used to support HAZMAT management software systems other than HSMS and RHICS. Further, Regional Commanders must ensure that such systems are capable of furnishing required information to the regional HAZMINCEN in electronic form. Further, please be advised that on-going efforts under the Navy-Marine Corps Intranet (NMCI) initiative will significantly restrict the number of software applications that can be used by Navy organizations in the near future.

7. Requests for exemption to any aspect of this policy must be submitted to CNO (N45) via the chain-of-command. The CNO (N45) point of contact (POC) is Mr. Michael Pletke at commercial (703) 604-5413 or DSN: 332-5413. The CNO (N41) point of contact (POC) is Mr. Terry Tibbs, Pollution Prevention Director, at NAVSUPSYSCOM, (717) 605-1990.

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